



— State of —
North Dakota

Office of the Governor

John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
CAREERS IN CONSTRUCTION WEEK
October 15-19, 2007

WHEREAS, National Careers in Construction Week is an annual week designated to increase public awareness and appreciation of the construction craft professional and the entire construction workforce; and

WHEREAS, during this week, employers, trade associations, and schools are encouraged to conduct job fairs, panel discussions, and local community events to inform students of the vast employment opportunities in construction; and

WHEREAS, the construction industry is one of our nation's largest industries, employing 7.2 million individuals in the United States alone and the number of wage and salary jobs in the construction industry is expected to grow about 15 percent through the year 2014; and

WHEREAS, the construction industry must fill 240,000 jobs each year just to meet the growing workforce demand; and

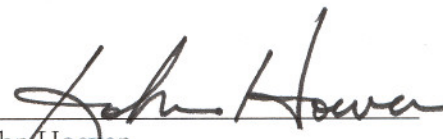
WHEREAS, we are pleased to honor the construction craft professional and the critical role they play in the development of North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, the National Center for Construction Education and Research was created by the construction industry to standardize training and enhance the industry image by promoting the hard work and dedication of our nation's craft professionals; and

WHEREAS, the National Center for Construction Education and Research is supported by thirty-two national associations and their state chapters, representing more than 150,000 contractor employers; and


WHEREAS, through this unprecedented partnership, the construction industry is leading the way in providing young people career opportunities while increasing the quality of the future workforce.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 15-19, 2007, as **CAREERS IN CONSTRUCTION WEEK** in the state of North Dakota.



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